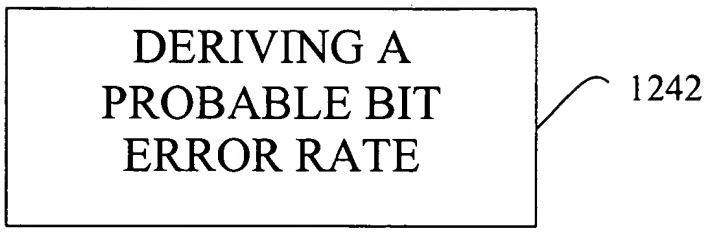
AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The proposed drawing correction filed on March 21, 2003 has been disapproved because it is not in the form of a pen-and-ink sketch showing changes in red ink or with the changes otherwise highlighted. See MPEP 608.02(v). The objection to the drawings in the previous office action of February 20, 2003, paragraphs 6 and 7 is not withdrawn.

Applicant apologizes for the inconvenience and was following the proposed revised amendments under 37 C.F.R. §1.121 that were in place at the time the proposed drawing corrections were filed and indicated that "Amendments to the drawing figures shall be made by presenting replacement figures which include the desired changes, without markings, and which comply with § 1.84. The changes shall be explained in the accompanying remarks section of the amendment paper."

The Examiner has objected to Figures 23, 27, 28, 41-46, 61, 62, 68 and 69 as failing to comply with 37 CFR §1.74 because they do not include reference signs. In response, Applicant is representing replacement Figures 23, 27, 28, 41-46, 61, 62, 68 and 69 that incorporate proposed changes including number elements tying them to the written specification. In addition, Applicant is including annotated sheets showing changes to Figures 23, 27, 28, 41-46, 61, 62, 68 and 69. As a result, Applicant is requesting withdrawal of this objection.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets 23, 27, 28, 41-46, 61, 62, 68 and 69.
Annotated Sheets Showing Changes 23, 27, 28, 41-46, 61, 62, 68 and 69.
Additional Sheet for New Figure 124.



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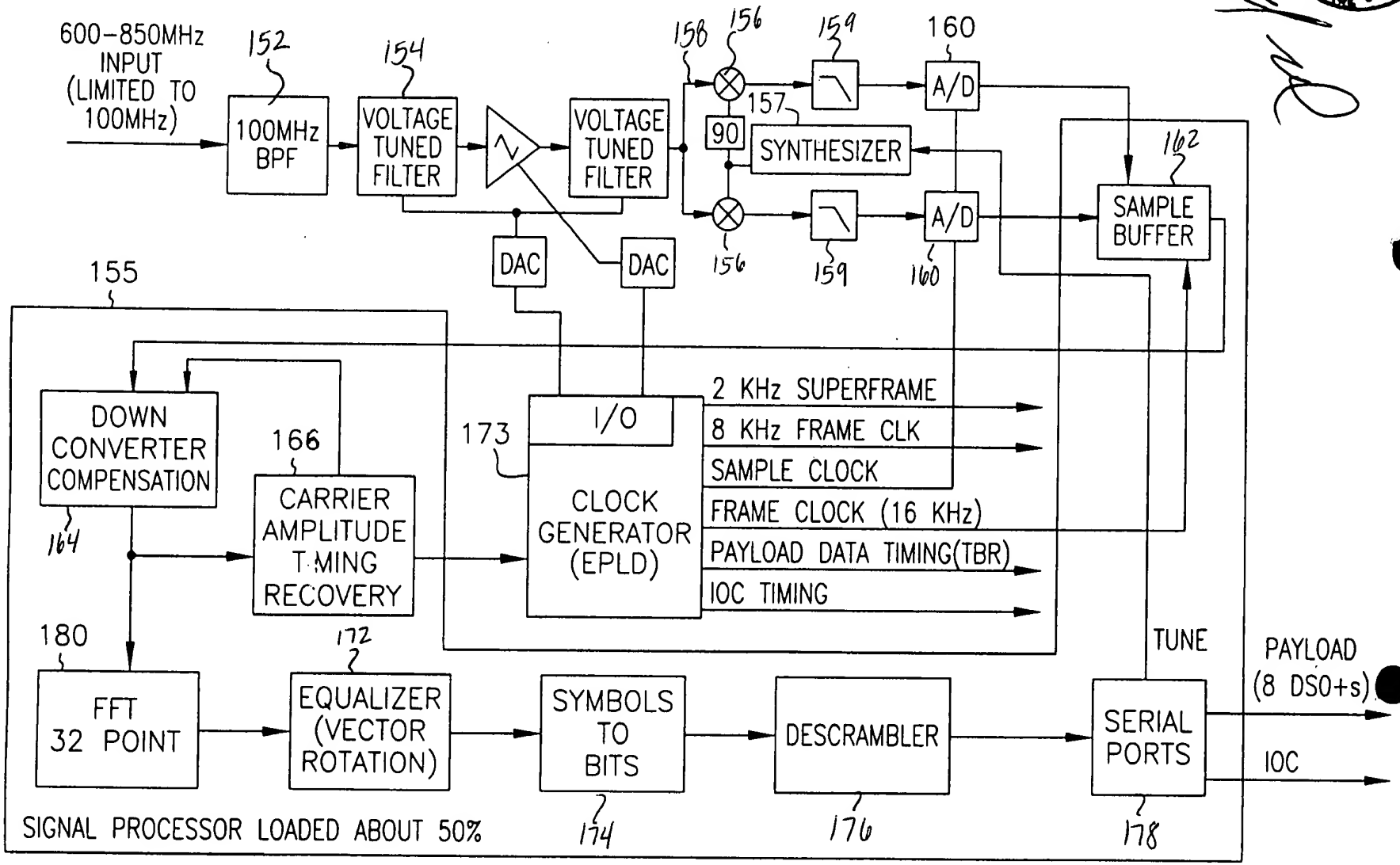

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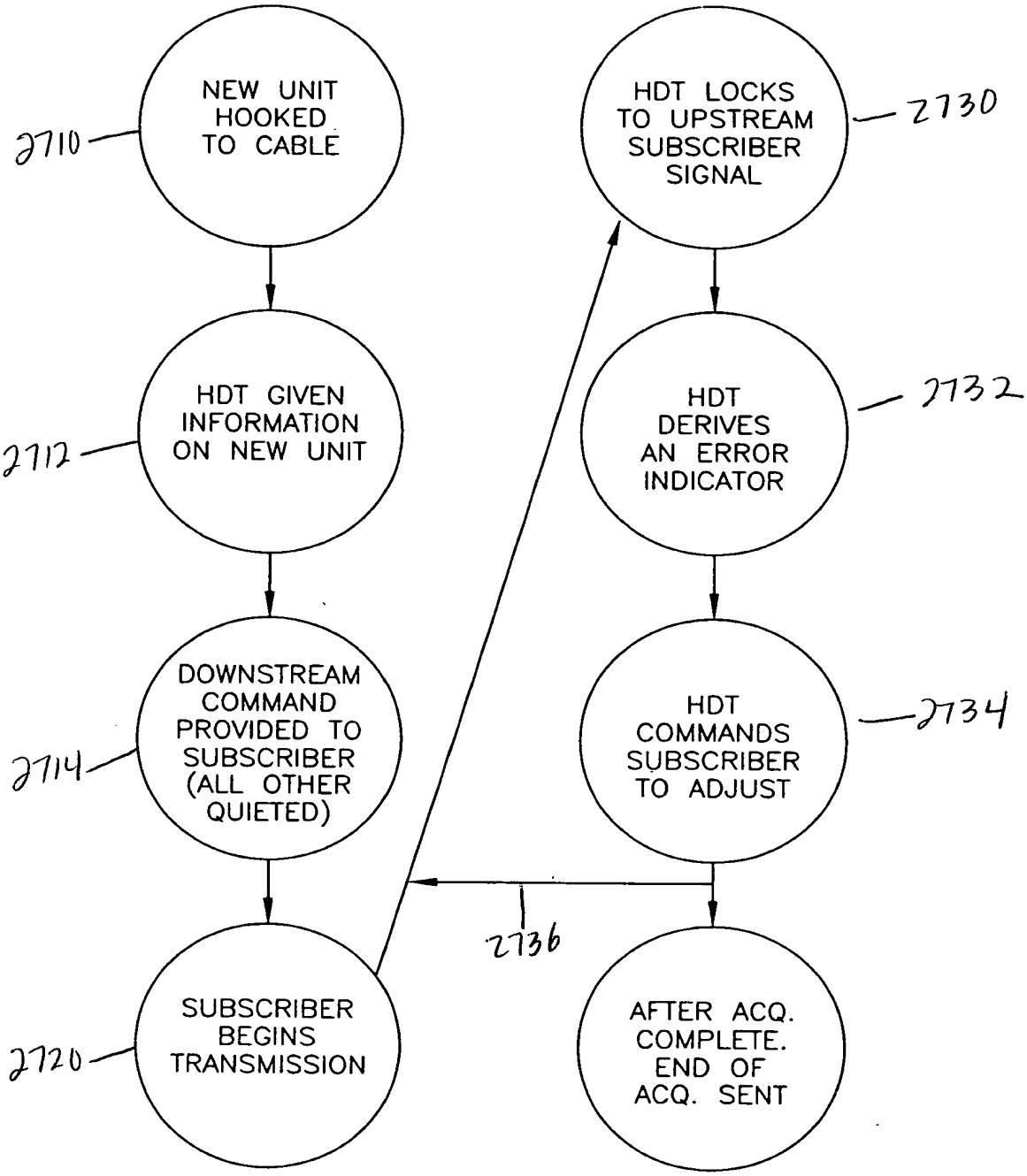

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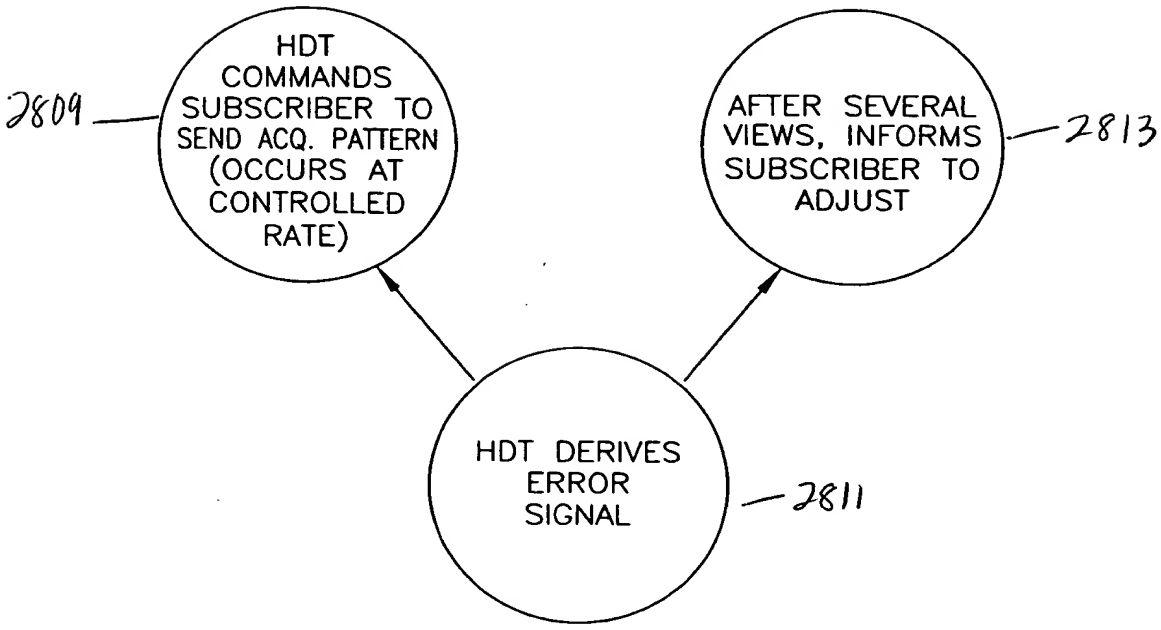

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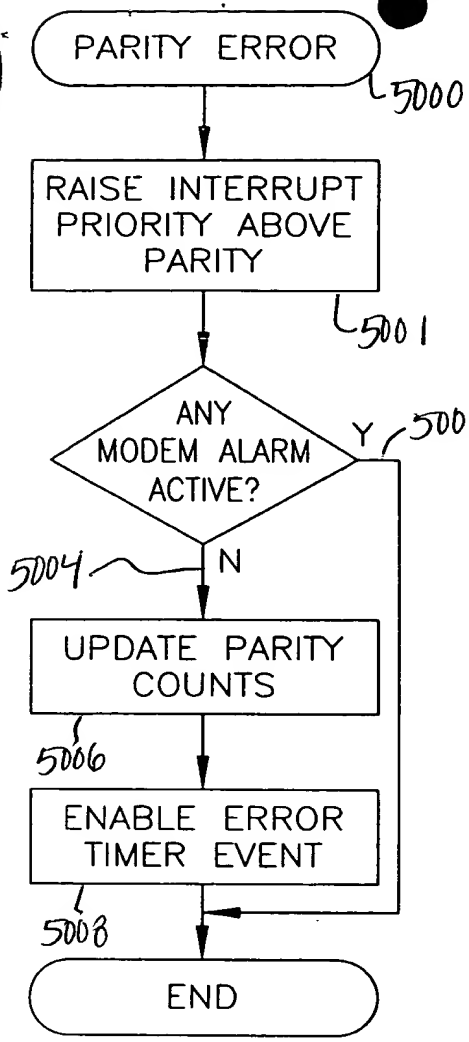

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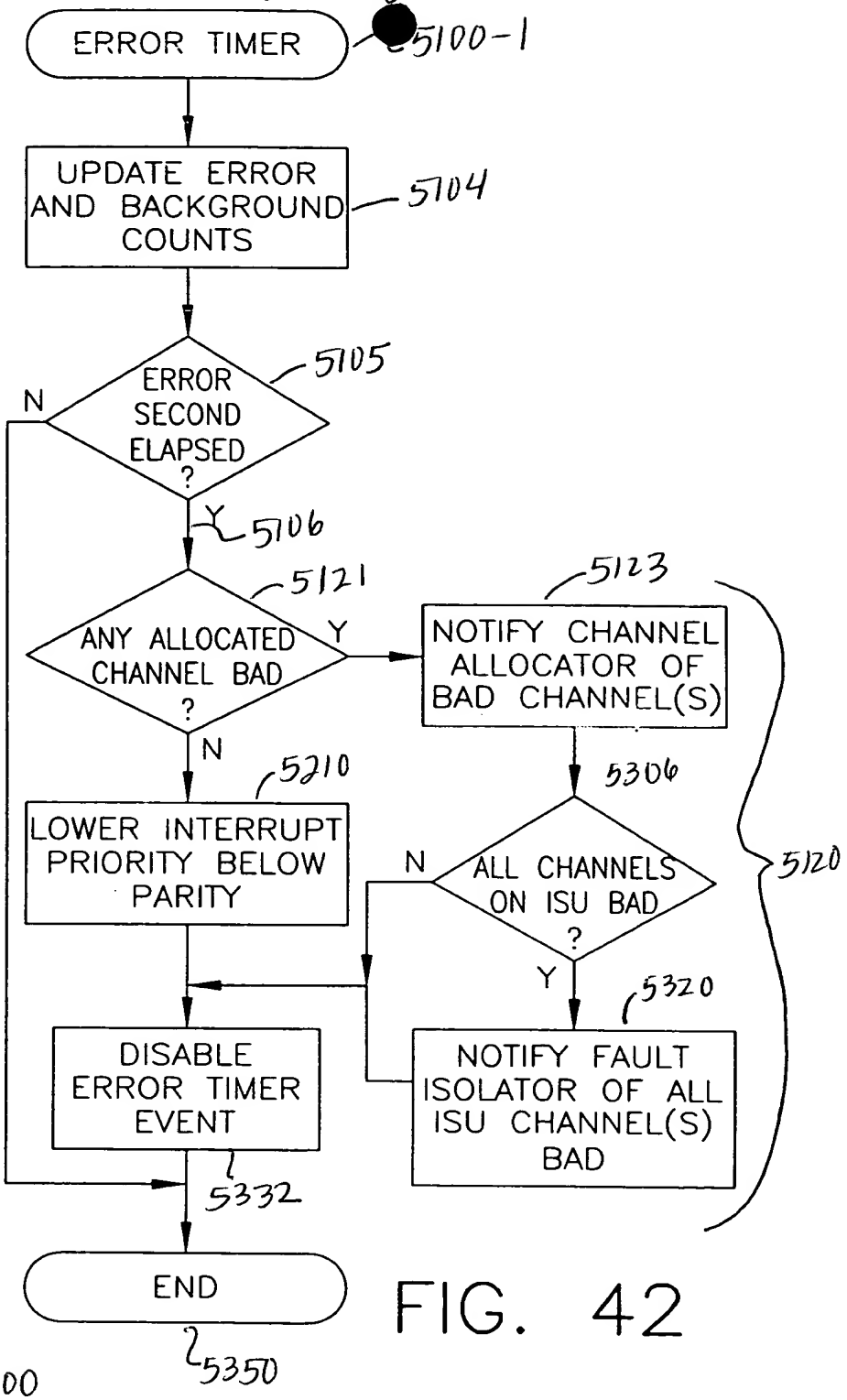

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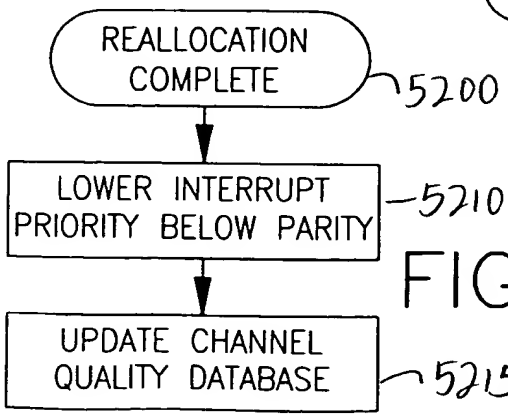

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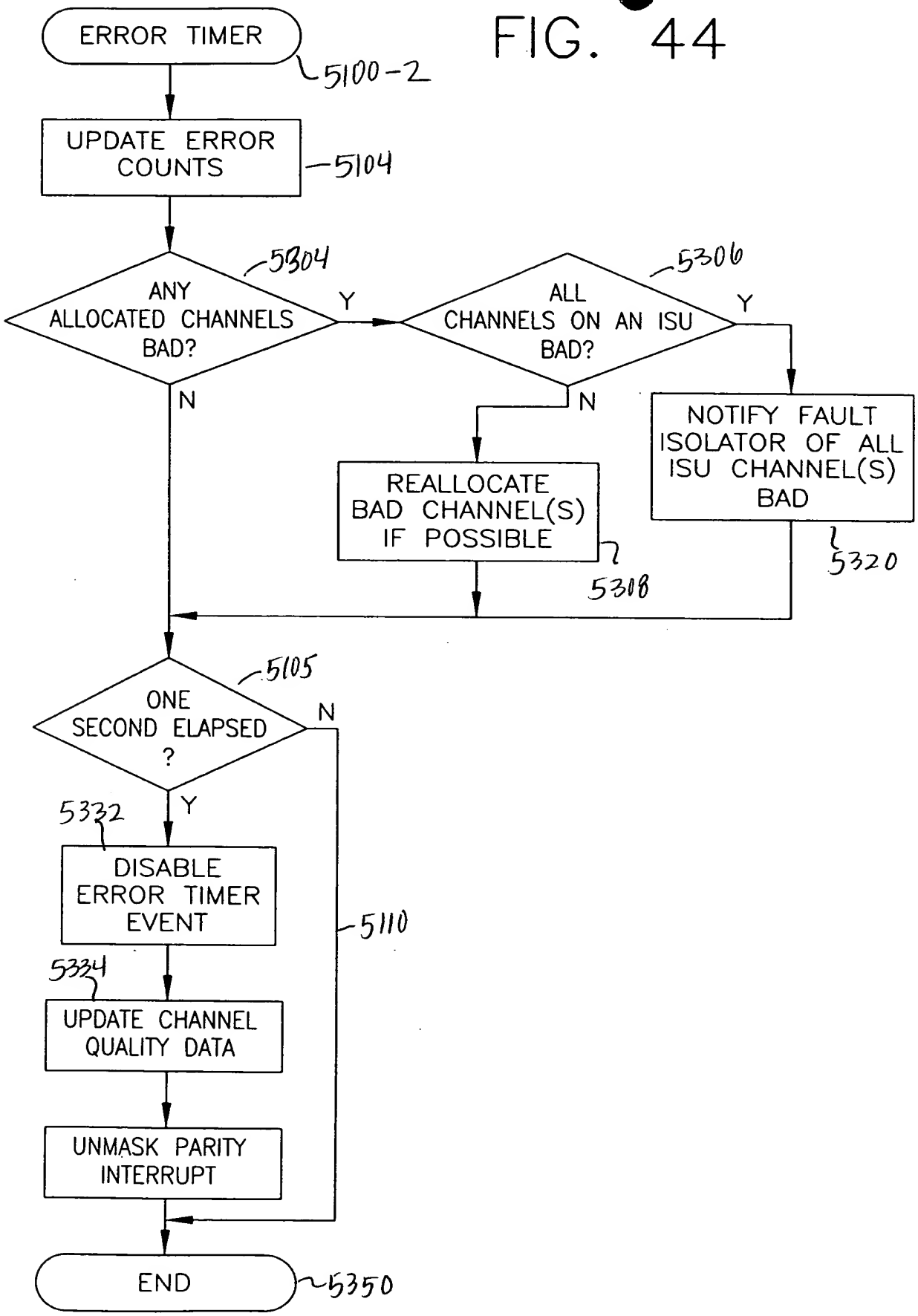

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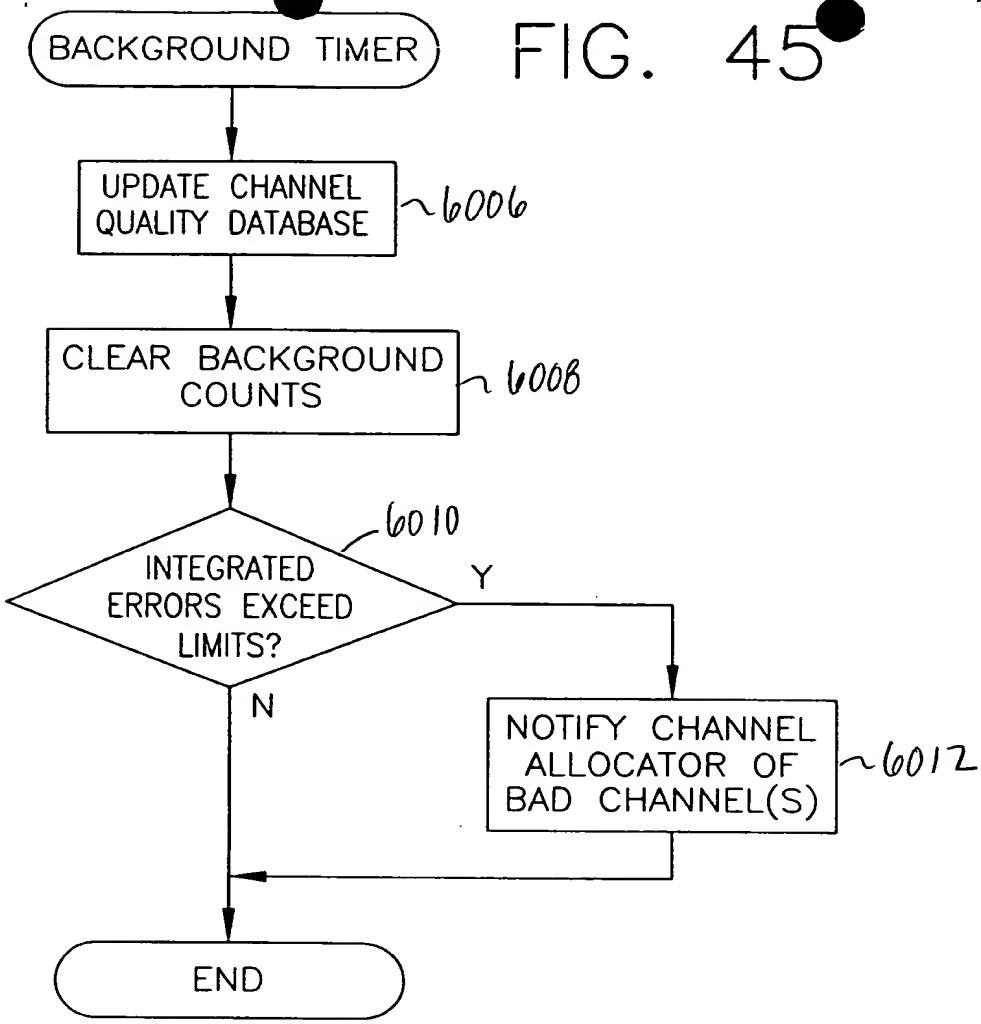

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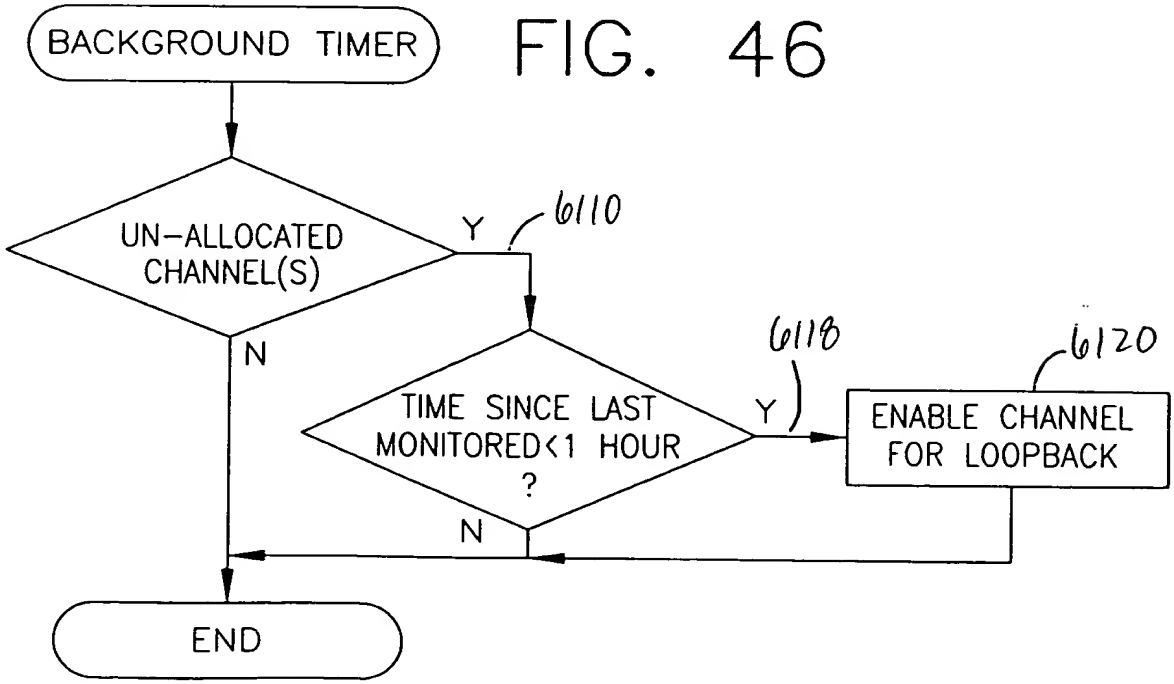

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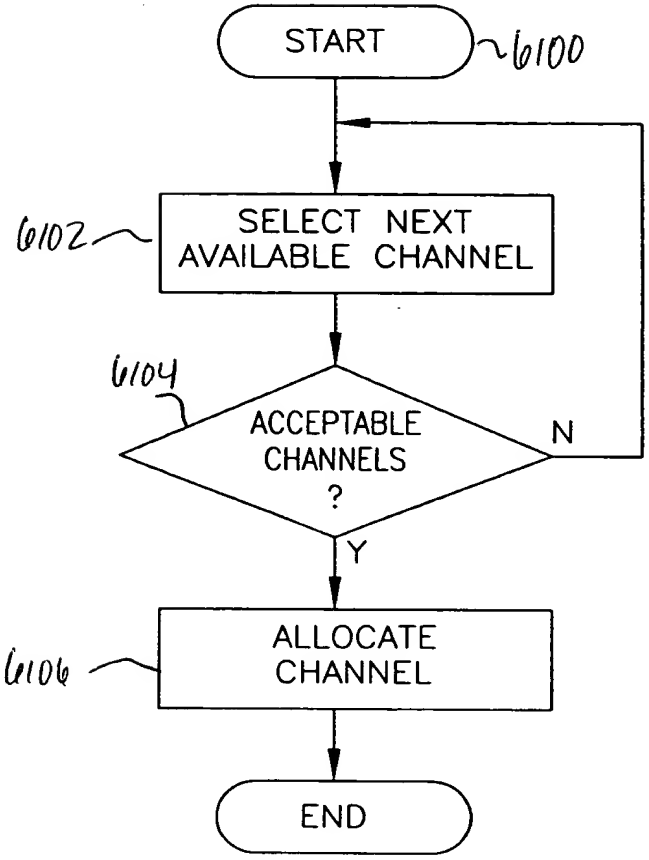

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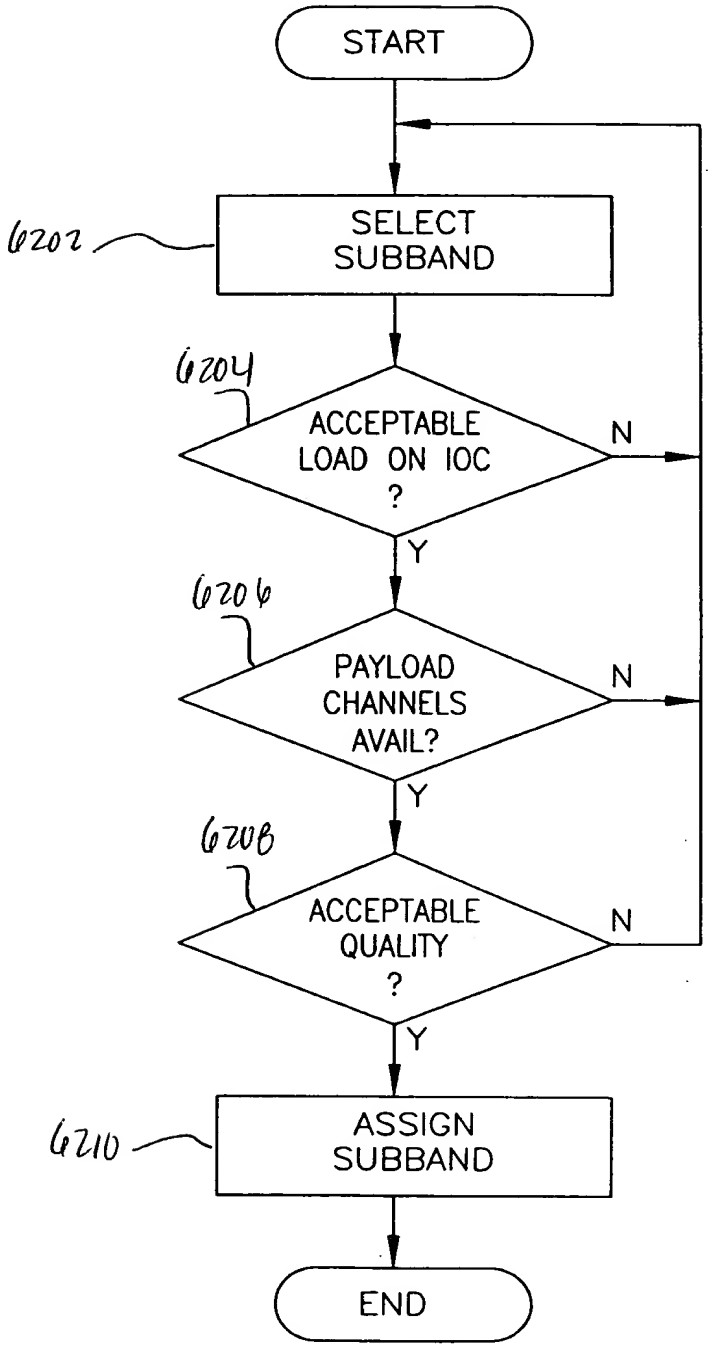

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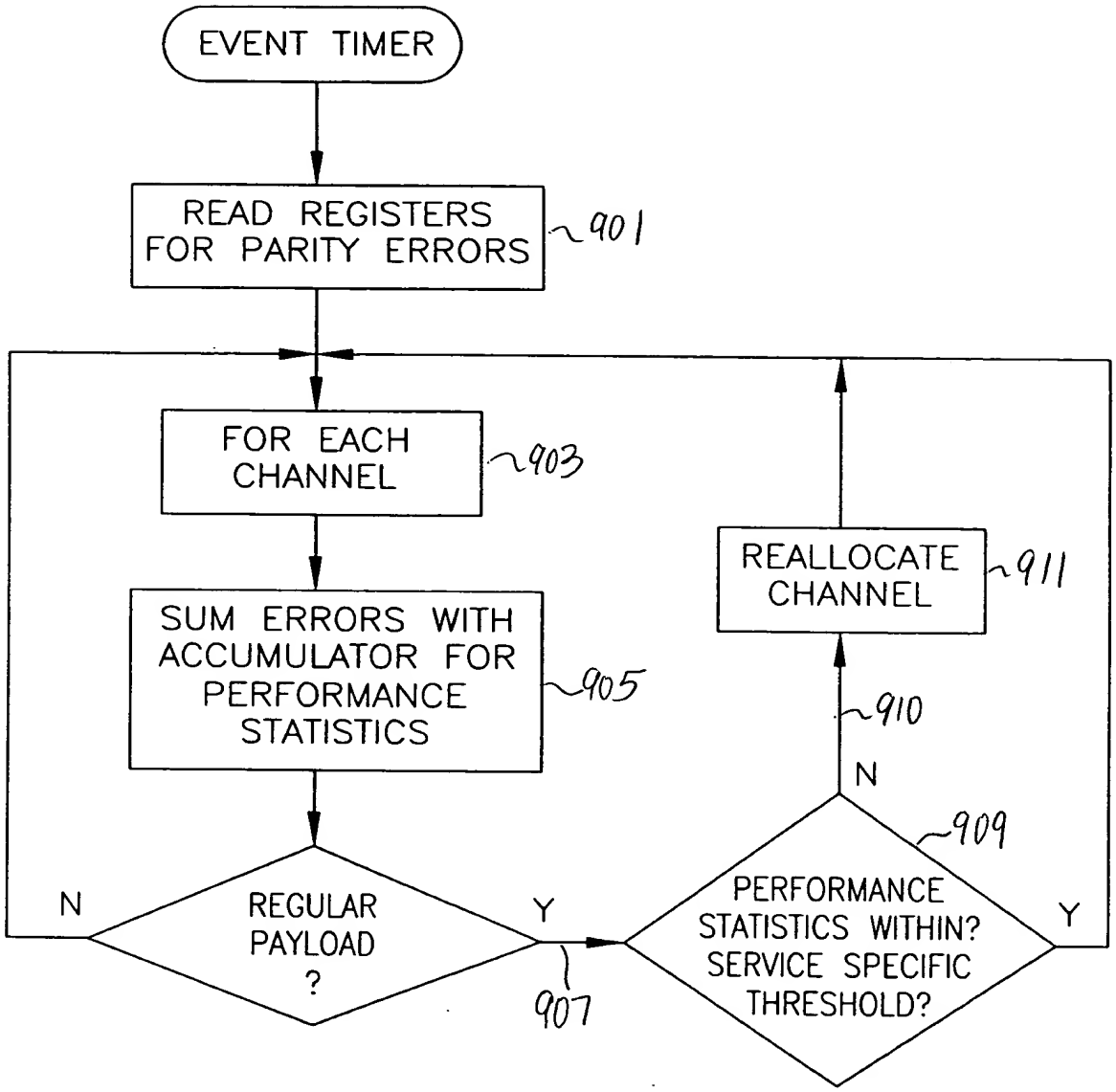

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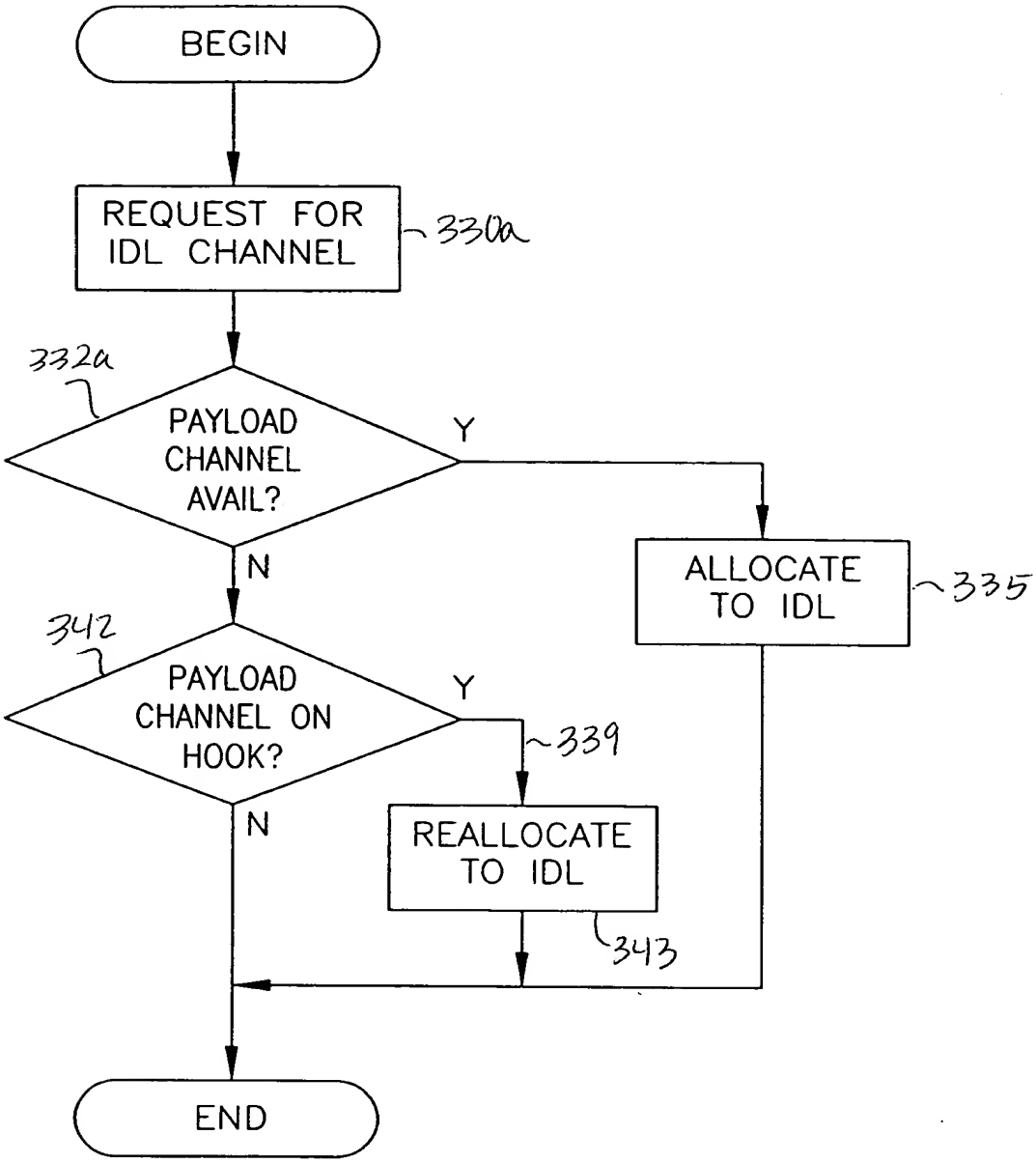

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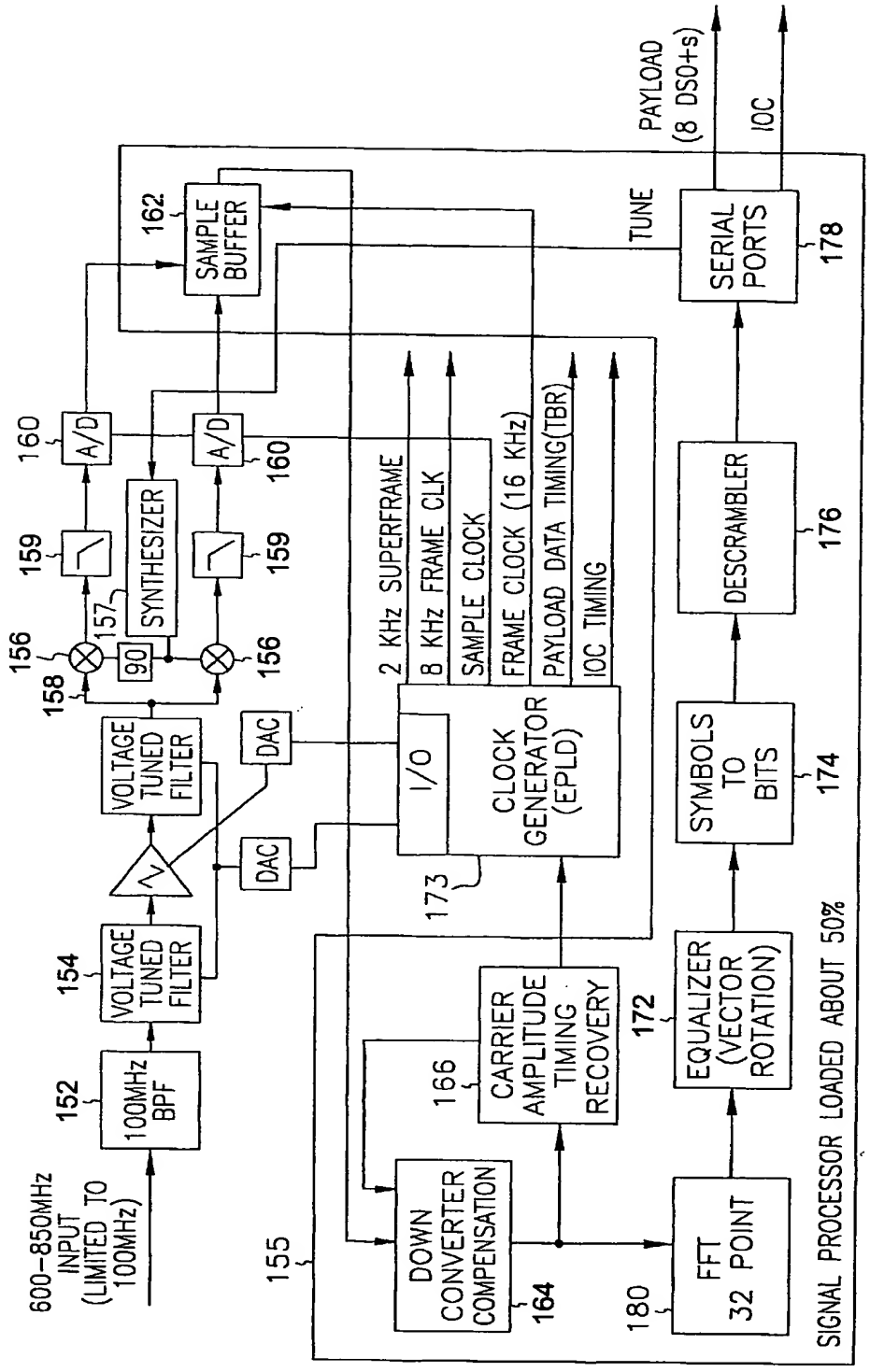

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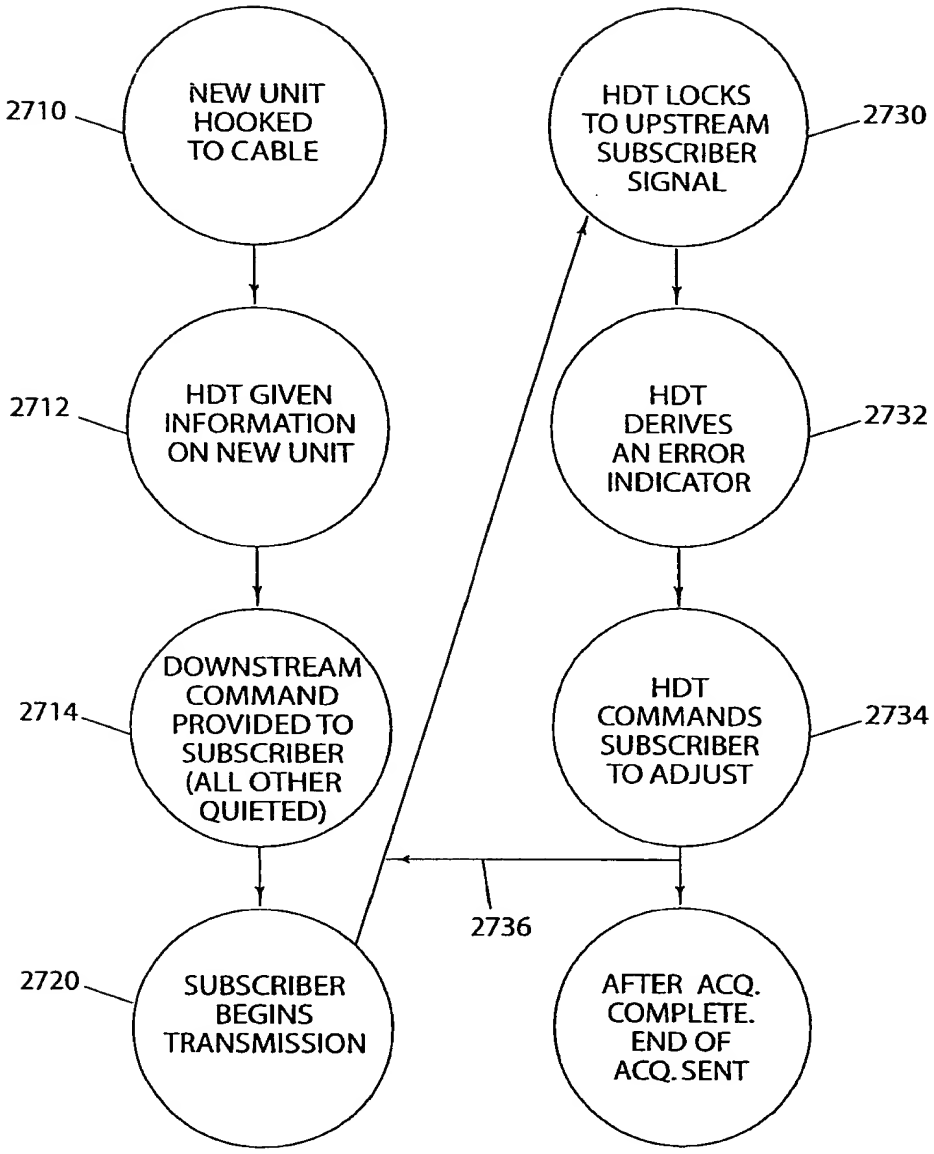

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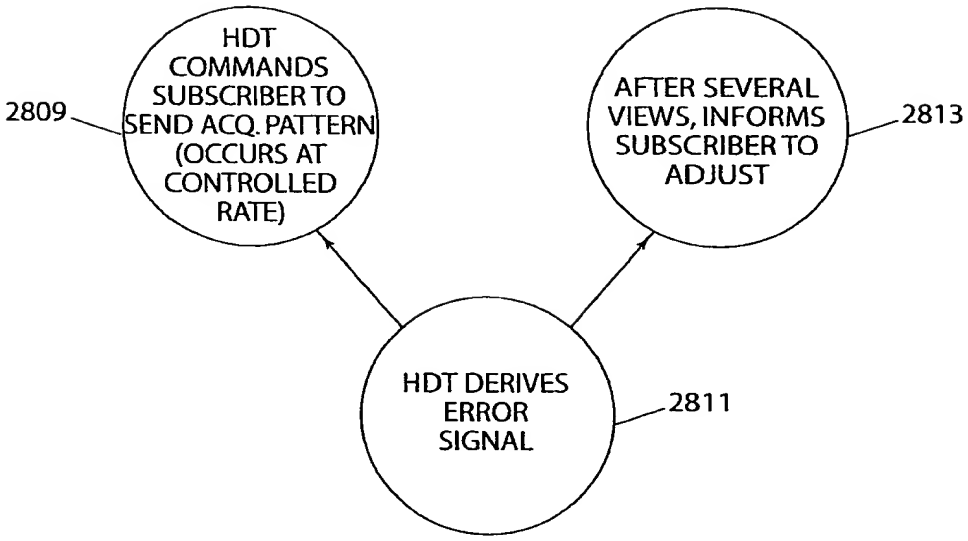

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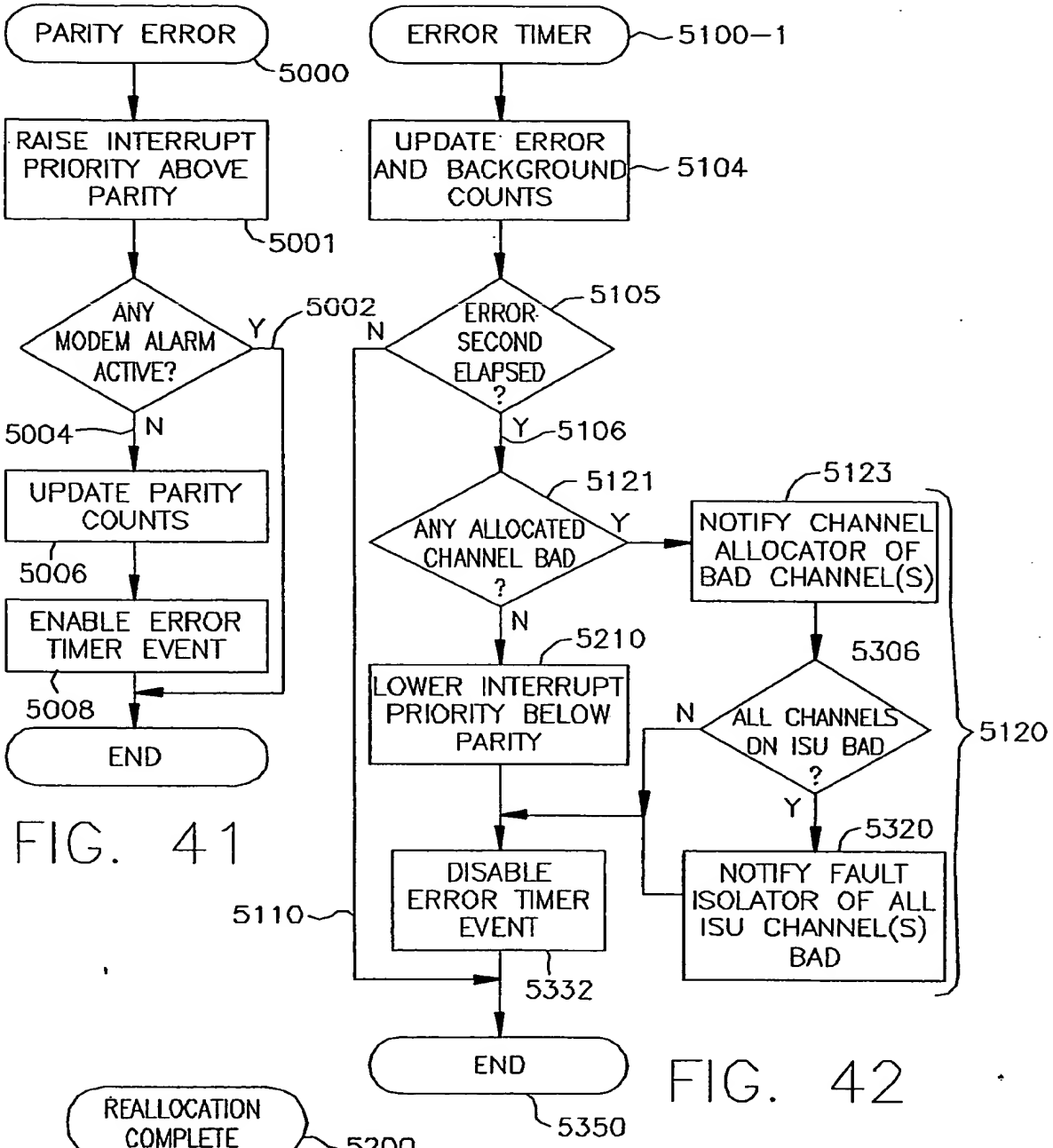

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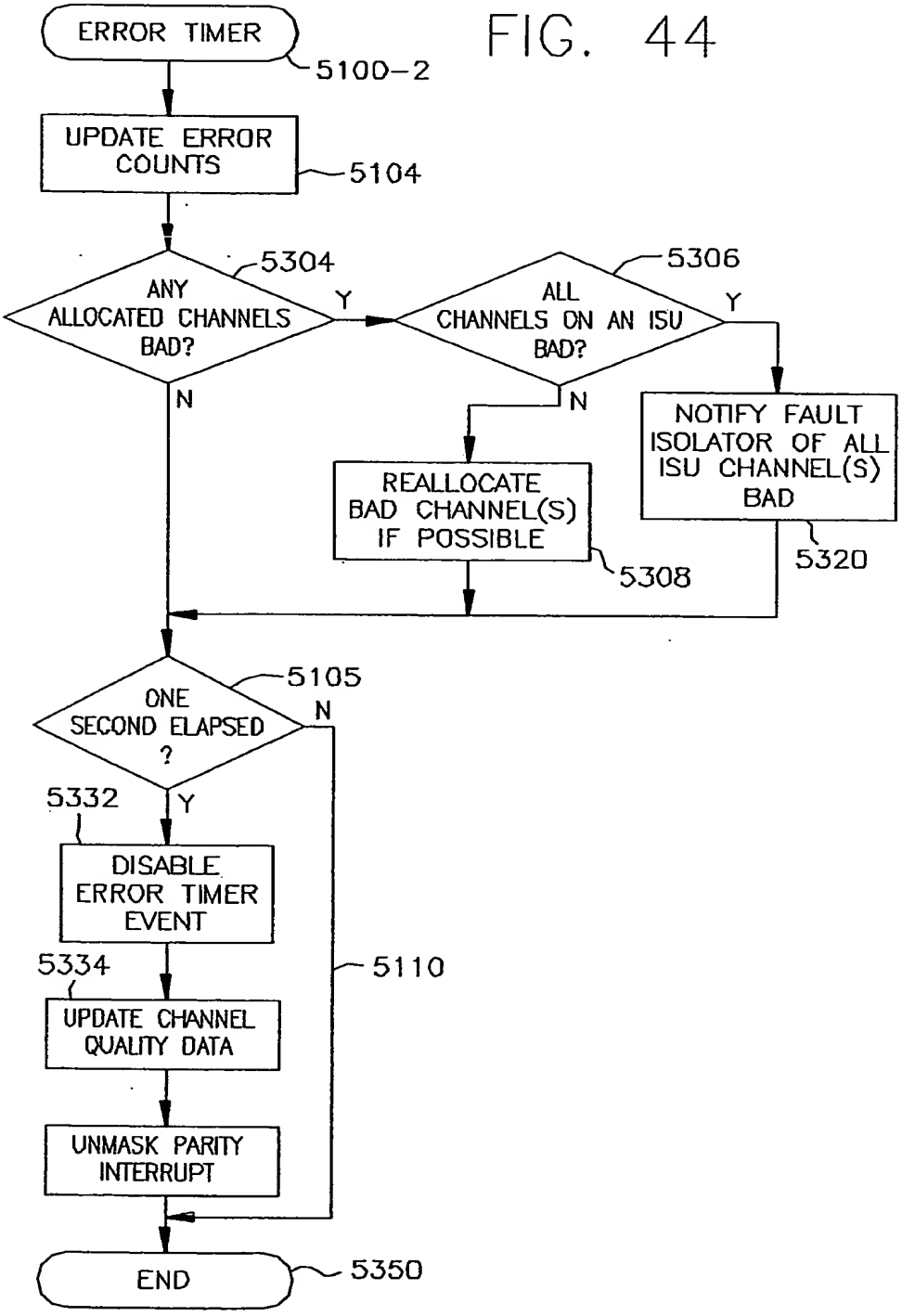

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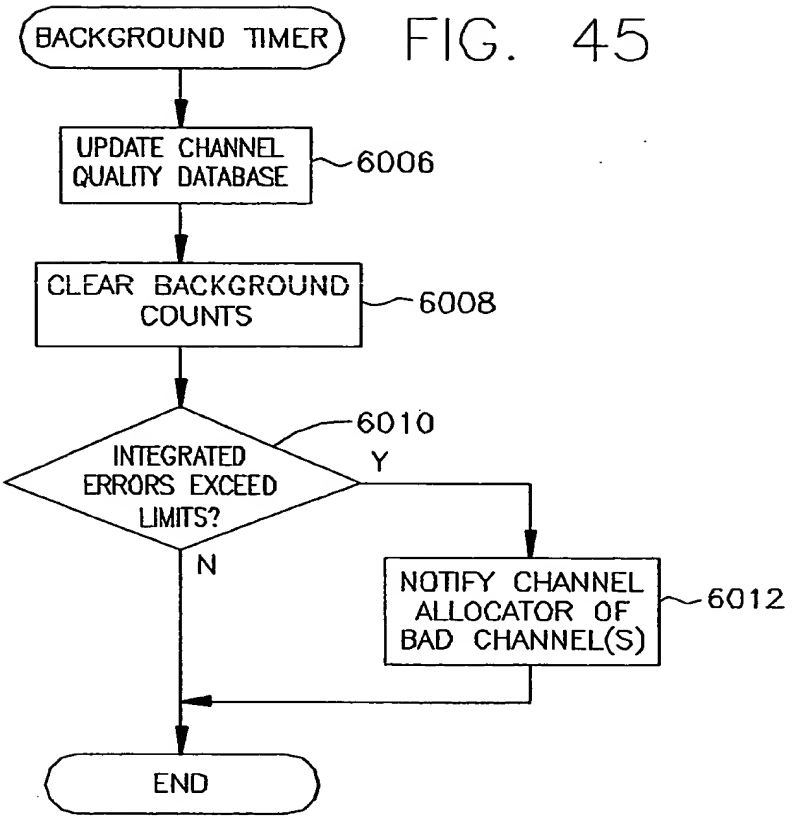

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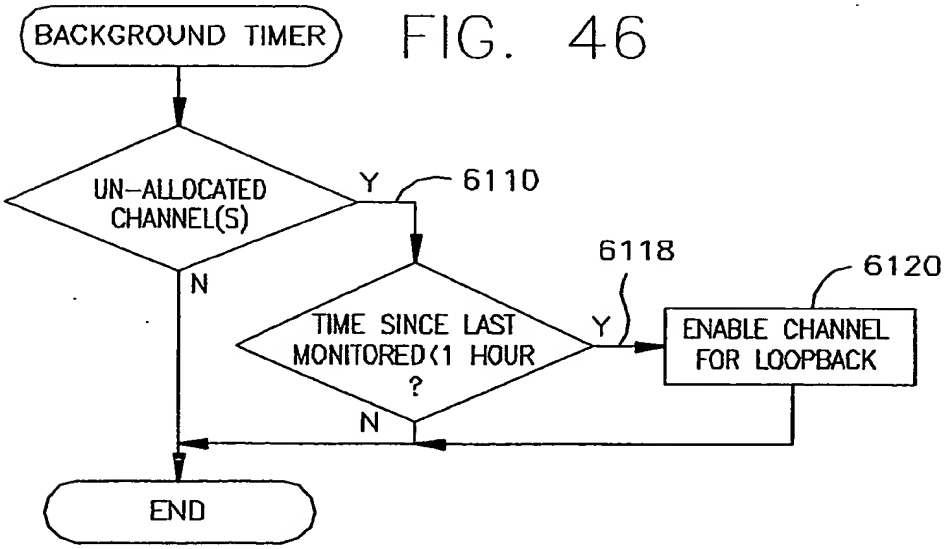

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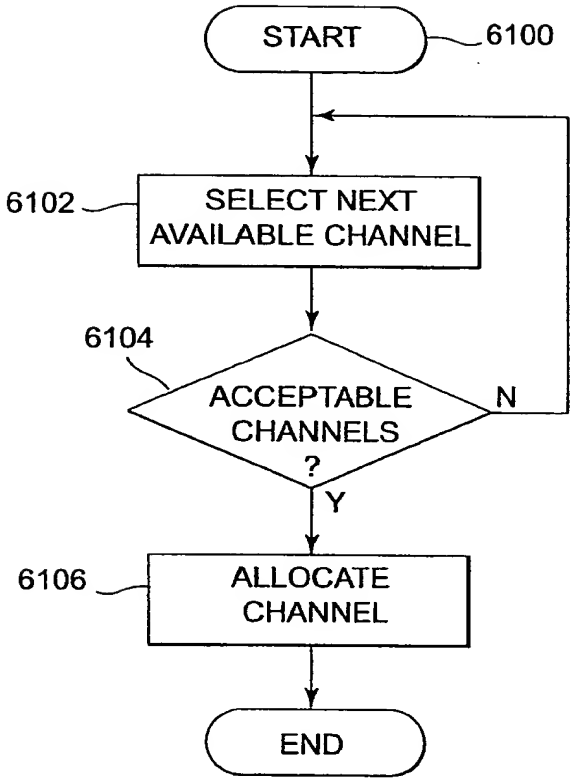

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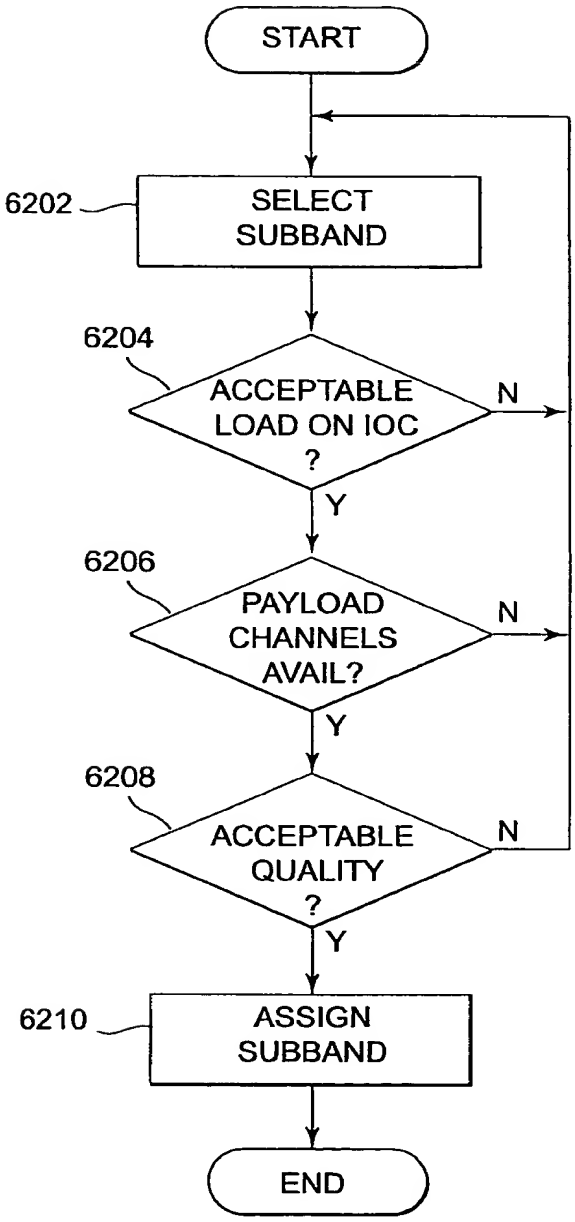

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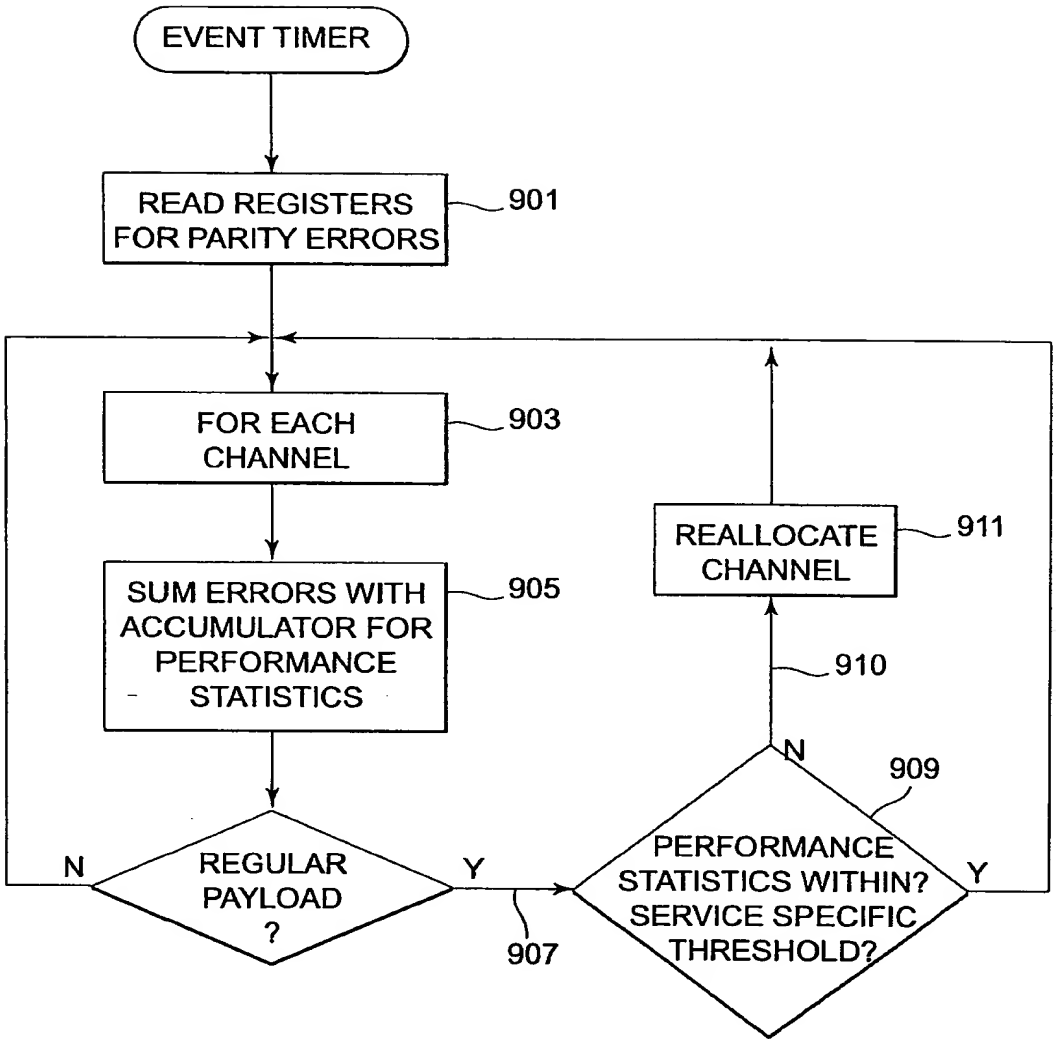

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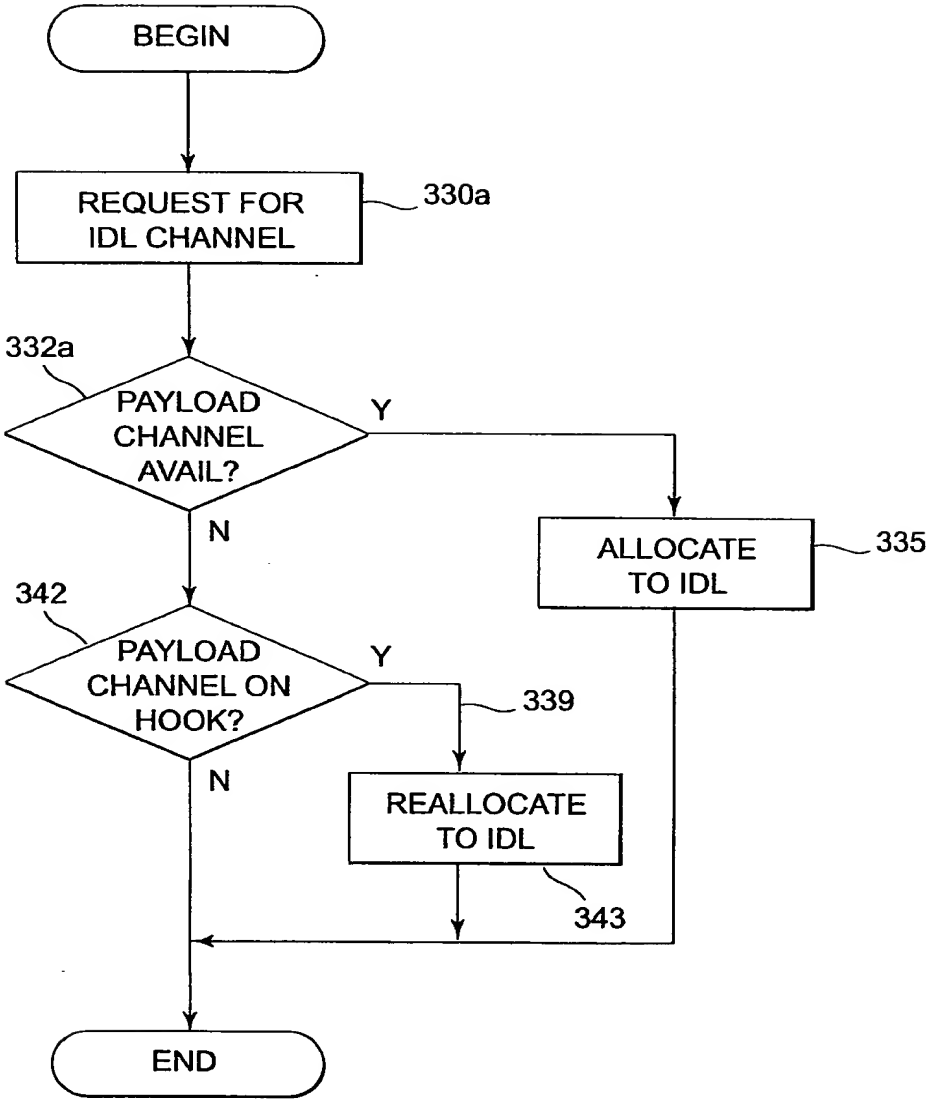

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